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SUBJ: PROPOSED CAP FOR ALCOHOL

1. REFTEL A REPORTS THAT EC COUNCIL REMAINS UNABLE TO REACH AGREEMENT ON PROPOSED ALCOHOL CAP AND THAT IT IS WIDELY ANTICIPATED THAT COMMISSION WILL NOW HAVE TO REVISE ITS PROPOSAL SUBSTANTIALLY.

2. REFTEL B ENUMERATED U.S. PROBLEMS WITH PROPOSED CAP, PARTICULARLY ITS PROVISIONS CONCERNING EXPORT SUBSIDIES, VARIABLE LEVIES, THE PROHIBITION ON USE OF IMPORTED GRAINS FOR PRODUCTION OF ALCOHOL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF STATE TRADING. IT ASKED ACTION EMBASSIES TO ADVISE HOST GOVERNMENTS OF U.S. VIEWS.

3. DEPT AGREES WITH EC BRUSSELS INTENTION TO RAISE MATTER INFORMALLY WITH COMMISSION AND ENDORSES ITS SUGGESTION THAT NOW WOULD BE GOOD TIME TO REMIND EC MEMBER STATES OF U.S. VIEWS IN AN ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE REDRAFTING OF PROPOSAL IN WAYS WHICH WOULD MEET OUR CONCERNS. ACCORDINGLY, REQUEST ACTION EMBASSIES TO USE APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY TO REPEAT TO HOST GOVERNMENTS POINTS MADE IN REF B.

4. FOR EC BRUSSELS: WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE INFORMATION ON

DANISH DEFICIENCY PAYMENT APPROACH MENTIONED REF C AND LIKELIHOOD ITS INCLUSION IN NEW COMMISSION PROPOSALS. RUSH

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